

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SERAL NO.

10/791,920

APPLICANT

Isabel Vega Carrascal, et al.,

**FILED** 

2 March 2004

**EXAMINER** 

TO BE ASSIGNED

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**FOR** 

COMPOSITION FOR DYEING HUMAN HAIR

Hon. Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

17 May 2004

# PETITION TO MAKE APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF NONSIGNING INVENTOR PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.47(a)

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the declaration of facts and the exhibits filed with this petition be considered in finding that inventor Bernd Nöcker may properly make application for patent on behalf of himself and a nonsigning co-inventor pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.47(a).

All of the facts stated herein are, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate.

- Bernd Nöcker of Ober Ramstadt, Germany, and Isabel Vega Carrascal of Valladolid, Spain, are inventors of the subject matter claimed in this application.
- Ms. Isabel Vega Carrascal and Mr. Nöcker are the inventors of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the above-referenced application. The subject matter of the above-referenced application was assigned to KAO PROFESSIONAL

Atty's Docket: 101216-39

SALON SERVICES, GmbH, ("KPSS"). The assignment to KPSS was effected by Ms. Carrascal and Mr. Nöcker, when each independently executed three separate assignments corresponding to each of three German priority documents. Copies of Ms. Carrascal's three executed documents and the English translations are submitted herewith as Exhibit 1.

- 3. Currently, Ms. Carrascal refuses to sign a declaration pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.63.
- On 16 February 2004, the application papers accompanied by an assignment, a declaration, and a letter (see Exhibit 2) requesting Ms. Carrascal to sign the new assignment and declaration was sent to her most recently known address:

Isabel Vega Carrascal c/Juan de Valladolid 36 4° Valladolid, 47014 Spain

In accordance with the evidentiary guidelines set out in MPEP § 409.02, it is believed that these documented facts support the conclusion that KPSS has performed a *bona fide* attempt to contact Ms. Carrascal, and to deliver to her the application papers, declaration and new assignment.

- 5. However, the declaration and assignment sent to Ms. Carrascal on 16 February 2004 was not returned to KPSS, indicating Ms. Carrascal's refusal to sign the declaration.
- Ms. Carrascal's refusal to sign the declaration was directly established in a
  personal telephone conversation that took place on 23 March 2003 between
  Ms. Carrascal, and Dr. Mustafa Grit, head of the KPSS patent department.

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In this conversation with Dr. Grit, Ms. Carrascal expressly refused to sign the declaration. Further, she refused to explain her reasons for refusing to sign the declaration.

- 7. In view of the foregoing facts, it was decided to file this petition pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.47(a). It is respectfully requested that the Office of Petitions grant the petition and permit Mr. Bernd Nöcker the right to apply for patent in his behalf and that of Ms. Carrascal.
- 8. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.47(a), an executed Declaration pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.63, is submitted herewith. The Declaration further includes an unsigned signature block bearing Ms. Carrascal's name.

Dr. Mustafa Grit

Head of Patent Department,

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## TRANSMITTAL OF PETITION

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that accompanying Exhibit 4 be entered into the record, and be considered together with Exhibits 1-2 that are described in the accompanying petition.

# **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

If any extension of time for this response is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefore. Please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

## **ADDITIONAL FEES**

Please charge any further insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

Respectfully Submitted,

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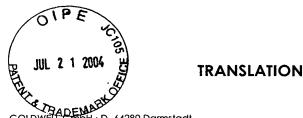
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Dear Ms. Vega,

We herewith claim your above referred invention unlimited according to §§ 6, 7 of the German Law on Employee Inventions.

All rights on this invention are herewith transferred to our company.

We have filed a German patent application on this invention. In due time before the termination of the priority year, we will decide on the filing of further foreign applications.

Please confirm the receipt of this letter by your signature on the enclosed copy and return this copy to Intellectual Property Dep.

Sincerely yours, **GOLDWELL GmbH** 

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# Ihre Erfindung: "Haarfärbemittel"

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Ihre obengenannte Diensterfindung nehmen wir nach §§ 6 und 7 des Gesetzes über Arbeitnehmererfindungen unbeschränkt in Anspruch.

Hiermit sind alle Rechte an der Erfindung auf uns übergegangen.

Wir haben die Erfindung in Deutschland zum Patent angemeldet. Über die Vornahme von Auslandsanmeldungen werden wir rechtzeitig vor Ablauf des Prioritätsjahres entscheiden.

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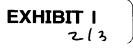
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#### **TRANSLATION**

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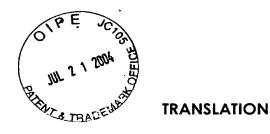


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#### Re.: U.S. Patent Application for your inventions

Dear Ms. Vega Carrascal,

I refer to the previous e-mail correspondence between Dr. Grit and you and provide you now with an assignment and a declaration that we need to be signed by you.

Please insert your signature on page 2, of the Assignment and on page 3 of the Declaration. The places are both marked with a cross.

We kindly ask you to return the executed documents at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

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Christiana Pfaff

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I hereby certify that the following items:

- 1. Original executed Combined Oath, Declaration & Power of Attorney
- 2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts
- 3. Fee Transmittal Charge Deposit Account
- 4. Petition to make Application on Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47(a)
- 5. Transmittal of Petition
- 6. Exhibit 1 (3 sheets) and translation (3 sheets)
- 7. Exhibit 2
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